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1. An association of individual Americans who favor independence for Morocco has been formed in New York and Washington. It is to be called the "American Committee for Moroccan Independence." Its President will be a local newspaper correspondent, Homer Joseph Dodge, living in Washington, D.C.
2. The organizers intend to use the structure of the group known as the "American Friends of the Middle East" as a model for this new association of their own which it is hoped will include a wide membership of prominent Americans. Public meetings will be held, and an attempt made to distribute information on Morocco. One of the chief concerns envisaged will be the raising of funds in the United States, through the collection of financial donations from American citizens for use in publicity.
3. The Committee's headquarters will be in Washington, D.C., with possibly a representative in New York. The media for dissemination of information will include the organization and sponsorship of lecture and speaking tours by both Americans and Moroccans as well as talks diffused by Radio and Television. Printed matter will be circulated generally so as to become available to residents in the United States. An attempt will be made to counteract French propaganda by means of speeches and literature citing American rather than either French or Moroccan opinion. In an endeavor to increase publicity the Committee will particularly stress the educational (schools) and informational (press) angles in building up its membership.

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